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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S FAREWELL MESSAGE TO VENEZUELAN  
PRESIDENT PEREZ

PLEASE DELIVER FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE  
SECRETARY TO VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT PEREZ. QUOTE:  
DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: I LEAVE MY OFFICE IN THE DEPARTMENT  
OF STATE WITH A SPECIAL RECOLLECTION OF THE VISIT TO  
VENEZUELA BEGINNING MY FIRST OFFICIAL TRIP TO SOUTH  
AMERICA. THE IMMEDIATE RAPPORT WE ESTABLISHED, FOLLOWED  
BY OUR FREQUENT EXCHANGES AND CORRESPONDENCE, HAS MEANT  
MUCH TO ME. I LEARNED TO UNDERSTAND LATIN AMERICA, ITS  
DIVERSITY, ITS VITALITY, AND ITS HUMANITY THROUGH MEN  
LIKE YOURSELF. MOREOVER THE FORCEFUL AND CLEAR POSITIONS  
YOUR GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN ON THE MAJOR ISSUES CONFRONTING  
THE DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING WORLDS HAVE CONTRIBUTED  
TO A GREATER APPRECIATION OF THE SENSE OF URGENCY AND  
IMPORTANCE OF THESE MATTERS.

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YOUR WORDS AND THOUGHTS ON THESE IMPORTANT ISSUES ARE  
GIVEN ADDED WEIGHT BY THE FACT THAT YOU REPRESENT ONE OF  
THE HEMISPHERE'S STRONGEST DEMOCRACIES. THAT WE SHARE  
THESE PRECIOUS VALUES MAKES IT EASIER FOR US TO SPEAK  
FRANKLY. THESE COMMON PRINCIPLES ALSO MAKE THE FRIENDSHIP

BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS EVEN MORE IMPORTANT.

I BELIEVE, MR. PRESIDENT, THAT WE HAVE CREATED A  
SOLID BASIS FOR CLOSER RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO  
COUNTRIES AND FOR RESOLVING SOME OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
ISSUES THAT HAVE UNITED US IN PURPOSE.

ALLOW ME TO CLOSE WITH THE MOST SINCERE EXPRESSION OF  
MY BEST WISHES TO YOU AND TO THE PROUD NATION YOU LEAD.  
WARM REGARDS, HENRY A. KISSINGER UNQUOTE.  
KISSINGER

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